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REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is a Reply to the Examiner's Answer, mailed on June 20, 2006 in an appeal from the decision dated May 27, 2005, rejecting claims 1 and 3-27 as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 1; rejecting claims 1 and 3-27 as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2; rejecting claims 1, 3-6, 9-11, 13-17, 20, 23-25 and 27 as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by Abe, U.S. Patent No. 6,073,730 ("Abe"); rejecting claims 7 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Abe in view of Seimitsu, Japanese Patent Application JP 20026893 ("Seimitsu"); rejecting claims 8 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Abe in view of Miyoshi et al., Japanese Patent Application JP 04048521 ("Miyoshi"); rejecting claims

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